



Amendment

In the Specification:

*al* ✓ Please insert as the first sentence of the specification -- This is a continuation of application serial no. 08/885,258, filed on June 30, 1997, that is currently pending.--

✓ On page 1, line 24, after "can", delete "be".

✓ On page 4, line 2, after "packet", delete "from", and insert - - to - -.

✓ On page 6, line 1, after "in", insert "- - the - -".

✓ On page 6, line 29, after "types", delete "exists", and insert - - exist

✓ On page 6, line 30, after "delay,", delete "and".

✓ On page 7, line 17, after the first "for", delete "an", and insert - - a

✓ On page 7, line 27, after "storage", delete "location", and insert - -

locations - -.

✓ On page 11, line 19, after "may", insert - - be - -.

✓ On page 11, line <sup>22</sup>~~18~~, after "Interconnections:", delete "Bridges and", and insert - - Bridges and - -.

✓ On page 11, line <sup>23</sup>~~20~~, before "by", delete "Routers", and insert - - Routers - -.

✓ On page 12, line 14, after "locations,", delete "make", and insert - - makes - -.

✓ On page 12, line 14, after "and,", delete "calculate", and insert - - calculates - -.

✓ On page 13, line 18, after "42", delete "is", and insert - - are - -.

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- ✓ On page 13, line 18, after "well", insert -- as --.
- ✓ On page 13, line 18, after "to", delete "as".
- ✓ On page 14, line 7, after "port", delete "i", and insert -- 56i --.
- ✓ On page 14, line 8, after "the", delete "inputs", and insert -- input --.
- ✓ On page 14, line 18, after "encapsulated, delete "by".
- ✓ On page 14, line 18, after "example", insert -- ,by --.
- ✓ On page 15, line 2, before "sequentially", delete "an", and insert -- a --.
- ✓ On page 15, line 2, after "sequentially", delete "address", and insert --  
addressable --.
- ✓ On page 19, line 19, after "filters", delete "72".
- ✓ On page 19, line 21, after "filter", delete "72".
- ✓ On page 19, line 22, after "filter", delete "72".
- ✓ On page 19, line 26, after "filters", delete "72".
- ✓ On page 20, line 13, after "Other", delete "action", and insert -- actions --.
- ✓ On page 26, line 19, after "56i", delete "need", and insert -- needs --.
- ✓ On page 26, line 20, after "packet", insert -- with --.
- ✓ On page 28, line 20, after "56", delete "that", and insert -- to which --.
- ✓ On page 28, line 20, after the second "output,", insert -- and --.
- ✓ On page 30, line 11, after "to", delete "required", and insert -- require --.
- ✓ On page 31, line 4, after "in", delete "a", and insert -- an --.
- ✓ On page 31, line 18, after "then", delete "global", and insert -- local --.
- ✓ On page 31, line 19, after "then", delete "global", and insert -- local --.